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SUBJECT: ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL CONDEMNS US; THREATENS LOSS OF
US INTERESTS IN ME

1. APRIL 5 GUMHURIYYA NOTED THAT ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL HAD
MET THE DAY BEFORE AND, FOLLOWING THREE- HOUR MEETING OF
COUNCIL'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE, ISSUED STATEMENT OF ARAB
POSITION TOWARD US AID TO ISAREL. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF
STATEMENT AS GIVEN BY GUMHURIYYA:

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QUOTE: THE ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL CONSIDERED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL' S REPORT ON THE ARAB AND INTERNATIONAL SITUATION; THE JOINT ARAB PLAN OF ACTION FOR SHOULDERING THE NATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF LIBERATING THE OCCUPIED ARAB LAND AND RECOVERING THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE' S RIGHTS; AND US MOUNTING SUPPORT FOR ISRAELI AGGRESSION MILITARILY, ECONOMICALLY AND POLITICALLY.

" THE COUNCIL ALSO REVIEWED THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL, THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL, THE JOINT DEFENSE COUNCIL AND THE IRAQI PLAN SUBMITTED TO THE DEFENSE COUNCIL ON THE ISSUE.

" THE COUNCIL ENDORSED THE CONTENTS OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL' S REPORT AND RESOLVED TO:

" A. CONDEMN UNANIMOUSLY THE US POSITION, WHICH IS CONSIDERED A REAFFIRMATION OF ITS HOSTILE POSITION TO THE ARAB CAUSE AND ARAB NATION. THIS POSITION KILLS ANY HOPE FOR THE FEASIBLE INTRODUCTION OF ANY CHANGE IN (THE US) ATTITUDE TOWARD THE ARAB STRUGGLE, TO LIBERATE THE OCCUPIED LAND AND RESTORE THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE' S RIGHTS.

" B. DENOUNCE THE US' INCREASED ASSOCIATION WITH THE ISRAELI AGGRESSION, AND ITS STEPPED UP SUPPLY OF SOPHISTICATED WEAPONRY (TO ISRAEL) . THIS IS CONSIDERED AS (TANTAMOUNT TO) PARTICIPATION IN ARMED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE ARAB NATION, A DEFIANCE OF THE UN CHARTER AND RESOLUTIONS, (AND A DEFIANCE) OF WORLD PEACE.

" C. REAFFIRM THAT THE US POSITIONS HOSTILE TO THE ARAB NATION WILL NECESSARILY LEAD TO THE FORFEITURE AND LOSS OF US INTERESTS IN THE ARAB STATES.

" D. EMPHASIZE THE TAKING BY THE ARAB STATES OF A UNIFIED ECONOMIC TRADE POLICY TOWARD THE USA AND COUNTRIES SUPPORTING ISRAEL.

" E. EMPHASIZE THE MEMBER STATES' OBLIGATION TO FORWARD TO THE SECRETARIAT- GENERAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THEIR REMARKS ON THE DRAFT ECONOMIC PLAN FOR FOREIGN ARAB RELATIONS SO THAT THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE CAN FINISH ITS WORK AND PRESENT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ARAB DEFENSE COUNCIL TO GIVE ITS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SAY IN THIS RESPECT.

" F. EMPHASIZE THE (NEED TO) HONOR ARAB OBLIGATIONS TOWARD
THE PLAN FOR JOINT ACTION AGAINST AGGRESSION, AND THE (NEED TO)
FORWARD TO THE SECRETARIAT- GENERAL ANY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN
BEFORE
THE MEETING OF THE CHIEFS OF STAFF ON APRIL 21. END QUOTE.

2. GUMHURIYYA REPORTED THAT ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL WOULD ANNOUNCE
ITS FINAL RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AT CLOSING SESSION
APRIL 5. APRIL 6 PRESS, HOWEVER, CARRIES NO MENTION OF SUCH
FINAL MEETING HAVING OCCURRED, BUT BRIEF EDITORIAL BY AHRAH' S
ALI HAMDI AL- GAMMAL STATES THAT ARAB LEAGUE WILL CONCLUDE WORK
APRIL 7 WITH " DECLARATION TO US THAT ITS ANTI- ARAB POSITION WILL
RESULT IN THE LOSS OF ITS INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST ".
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